

EXERCISES [5] – DERIVATIVES. APPLICATIONS.

5.1 Using the definition, determine the derivatives of the following functions at the given points:

a) $f(x) = \frac{1}{x^3}$ at $x = 1$

b) $f(x) = \sqrt{3x+2}$ at $x = a$

5.2 Find the derivatives of the following functions:

a) $f(x) = x^5 + 4x^3$

f) $f(x) = \ln(\ln x)$

b) $f(x) = e^{3x}x^2$

g) $f(x) = \frac{\sin^2 x}{\sin(x^2)}$

c) $f(x) = \frac{\sin x}{1+\cos x}$

h) $f(x) = \left(\frac{1-\ln x}{x}\right)^2$

d) $f(x) = \ln(x^2 + x) + xe^{-x} - \frac{1}{x}$

i) $f(x) = \frac{x \sin x}{1+x^2}$

e) $f(x) = \sqrt[3]{x^2 - 1}$

5.3 Consider the real function f defined by $f(x) = \begin{cases} \ln(\sqrt{1-x^2}) & , \quad -1 < x \leq 0 \\ x + \frac{2}{x}\sin^2(x) & , \quad x > 0 \end{cases}$

- Find the domain of f .
- Study this function f about the differentiability in its domain.
- Determine the algebraic expression of f' .

5.4 Consider the real function f defined by $f(x) = \begin{cases} \sqrt{\sin(\pi x) + 1} - 1 & , \quad x \leq 0 \\ \frac{e^{\frac{x^2}{3}} - 1}{x} + \frac{kx}{2} & , \quad x > 0 \end{cases} \quad (k \in \mathbb{R})$

- Find the value of k for which f is a differentiable function at $x = 0$.
- Write the equation of the tangent line to the graph of f at $x = -1$.

5.5 Let f be differentiable function in \mathbb{R} . Consider another function h defined by:

$$h(x) = f(\sin x + x)$$

- Is h a differentiable function in \mathbb{R} ? Justify your answer.
- Determine the expression of $h'(x)$.

5.6 Consider $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ a differentiable function in \mathbb{R} and g another function defined by:

$$g(x) = \ln(f(x^2 + 1))$$

- a)** Find the derivative of g .
- b)** Knowing that f' is also a differentiable function, $f(2) = f'(2) = 1$ and $f''(2) = 2$, determine $g''(1)$.

5.7 Let $f: \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a differentiable function on \mathbb{R}^+ . Consider another function g defined by $g(x) = (x - 2)e^{f(\frac{1}{x})}$.

- a)** Determine the domain of g and justify the differentiability g in its domain.
- b)** Determine $g'(x)$.

5.8 Let f and g be continuous functions in $[a, b]$ and differentiable in $]a, b[$. Suppose that $f(a) = f(b)$ and $g(a) = g(b)$. Prove that exists $c \in]a, b[$ such that $f'(c) = g'(c)$.

5.9 Consider f a differentiable function in \mathbb{R} defined by: $f(x) = \begin{cases} 5 - x^2, & x \leq 1 \\ \frac{3}{x} + x, & x > 1 \end{cases}$

Apply the Lagrange's Theorem to the function f on $[0, 3]$. Find the value(s) of c mentioned in the theorem.

5.10 Apply the Lagrange's Theorem to the function $f(x) = e^x$ on the interval $[0, x]$ and show that $e^x > x + 1$, for all $x > 0$.

5.11 Consider the real function f with one real variable defined by: $f(x) = \ln x$

- a)** Show that the Lagrange's Theorem can be applied to the f on any interval $[1, x]$ with $x > 1$.
- b)** Using the Lagrange's Theorem, prove that $\forall x > 1, x - 1 < \ln(x^x) < x^2 - x$.

5.12 Let $g: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ be a real function with one real variable, two-times differentiable on \mathbb{R} . Consider the function $f: D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined by:

$$f(x) = g(\ln x) + \ln(g(x))$$

- a)** Find the domain, D , of f and justify its differentiability on D .
- b)** Knowing that $g(0)$, $g(1)$ and $g(e)$ are local extreme values of g , show that f'' has at least one zero on the interval $[1, e]$.

5.13 Evaluate the following limits using the Cauchy's Rule:

a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x - \tan(x)}{x - \sin(x)}$

b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} x^{\sin x}$

c) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} (e^x - x)^{\frac{1}{x}}$

5.14 Consider the function defined by: $f(x) = \ln(2x + 1)$

- a) Find the domain of f .
- b) Write the Taylor formula of degree 2 of the function f centred at $a=0$.
- c) Determine an approximate value of $f(0.1)$.

5.15 Using the Mac-Laurin's polynomial of degree 2 of the function $f(x) = e^x$, compute an approximate value for \sqrt{e} .

5.16 Consider the function $f(x) = \sin(x)$. Applying Taylor's formula of order 2 to the function f at $x = 0$, with Lagrange's error, prove that: $\sin(x) \geq x - \frac{x^3}{6}$, $\forall x \geq 0$.

5.17 Use the first-order Taylor's expansion of the function $f(x) = \cos(x)$ at $x = 0$ with Lagrange's error, to compute $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\cos(x) - 1}{x^2}$.

5.18 Consider the real function f with one real variable defined by: $f(x) = \frac{x}{1+x^2}$

- a) Find the domain of the function.
- b) Find the points of intersection with the axes.
- c) Study the continuity of the function.
- d) Study the monotony of the function and the existence of local extreme values.
- e) Study the concavity of the function and the existence of inflection points.
- f) Study the existence of asymptotes.
- g) Sketch the graph of the function.
- h) Find the range of the function.

5.19 Answering the same questions of the exercise before, study the following function and sketch its graph:

a) $f(x) = \frac{x-1}{x-2}$

b) $f(x) = (\ln x)^2$

c) $f(x) = \frac{e^{x+1}}{x+3}$

More exercises

5.20 Using the definition, determine the derivatives of the following functions at the given points:

a) $f(x) = 3x - 2$, at $x = 2$

b) $f(x) = \sqrt{x+1}$, at $x = 3$

5.21 Find the derivatives of the following functions:

a) $f(x) = \cos(2x) - 2 \sin x$

e) $f(x) = \ln\left(\frac{x-2}{1+3x}\right)$

b) $f(x) = \ln \sqrt{x}$

f) $f(x) = 2e^{x^2-1}$

c) $f(x) = x \ln\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)$

g) $f(x) = \frac{x}{1+\sqrt{x}}$

d) $f(x) = \frac{e^{2x-x^2}}{x}$

5.22 Determine the equation of the tangent line to the curve $y = 3x^2 - 5x + 2$ at $x = 2$.

5.23 Show that the curve $y = 4x^3 + 4x - 2$ does not have a tangent line with a slope equal to 3.

5.24 Determine the points of the curve $y = x^3 - x^2 - x - 1$ that have a horizontal tangent line.

5.25 Prove, using the derivative definition, that:

a) If f is a constant function, that is if $f(x) = c \forall x$, then $f'(x) = 0, \forall x$.

b) If f is a function such that $f(x) = mx + b$ then $f'(x) = m, \forall x$.

5.26 Consider the function: $f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 & , x \leq 0 \\ ax + b & , x > 0 \end{cases}$. Find the values of a and b such that $f'(0)$ exists.

5.27 Consider the function:
$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x}{1+e^{\frac{1}{x}}} & , x \neq 0 \\ 0 & , x = 0 \end{cases}$$

- a) Determine the domain of f .
- b) Study the continuity of the function on the domain.
- c) Study the differentiability of f at $x = 0$.
- d) Determine the derivative function, $f'(x)$.

5.28 Let f be a real function with one real variable, differentiable on \mathbb{R} . Let g be a function defined by: $g(x) = f(\ln(x^2 + 1))$. Justify that g is also differentiable on \mathbb{R} and determine the expression of $g'(x)$.

5.29 Let $f(x) = x^4$, g a differentiable function on \mathbb{R} and h a function defined by $h(x) = (g \circ f)(\sin(x))$. Define the derivative function of h .

5.30 Is it possible to apply the Rolle's Theorem to the function $f(x) = \sqrt[3]{(x-1)(x-2)}$ on the interval $[1,2]$? Justify your answer.

5.31 Prove, applying the Rolle's Theorem, That the equation $x^3 - 3x^2 + 3x + b = 0$ ($b \in \mathbb{R}$) cannot have more than one solution on the interval $[-1,1]$.

5.32 Is it possible to apply the Lagrange's Theorem to the following function at the given intervals? If so, find the value c such that $f'(c) = \frac{f(b)-f(a)}{b-a}$.

- a) $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$, $[2,3]$
- b) $f(x) = \sqrt[3]{x}$, $[-1,1]$

5.33 Evaluate:

- a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\ln(\sin(4x))}{\ln(\sin(3x))}$
- b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} x^{\frac{1}{x-1}}$

5.34 For the following functions, write the Taylor formula of degree n , centred at a :

- a) $f(x) = \sin^2 x$ $a = 0, n = 3$

- b) $f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2+3}$ $a = 1, n = 2$
 c) $f(x) = e^{x^2}$ $a = 0, n = 3$
 d) $f(x) = x \sin x$ $a = \pi, n = 2$

5.35 Do the complete study (see exercise 5.18) of the following functions and draw their graphs:

- a) $f(x) = x^3 + 8$
 b) $f(x) = \frac{1}{x-2}$
 c) $f(x) = \sqrt{x-1}$
 d) $f(x) = \ln(x^2)$
 e) $f(x) = \frac{\ln x}{x}$

Solutions:

5.20 a) $f'(2) = 3$ b) $f'(3) = \frac{1}{4}$

5.21 a) $f'(x) = -2 \sin(2x) - 2 \cos(x)$ b) $f'(x) = \frac{1}{2x}$ c) $f'(x) = \ln\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) - 1$

d) $f'(x) = \frac{e^{2x}(2x-1)-x^2}{x^2}$ e) $f'(x) = \frac{1}{x-2} - \frac{3}{1+3x}$ f) $f'(x) = 4xe^{x^2-1}$

g) $f'(x) = \frac{2\sqrt{x}+x}{2\sqrt{x}(1+\sqrt{x})^2}$

5.22 $y = 7x - 10$

5.23 Show that it is not possible to have a point a such that $f'(a) = 3$.

5.24 $(1, -2)$ and $\left(-\frac{1}{3}, -\frac{22}{27}\right)$

5.26 $a = 0; b = 0$

5.27 a) $Df = \mathbb{R}$

b) f is continuous on its domain.

c) f is not differentiable at $x = 0$.

d) $f'(x) = \frac{x+e^{\frac{1}{x}}(x+1)}{x\left(1+e^{\frac{1}{x}}\right)^2} \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$

5.28 g is a differentiable function on its domain (\mathbb{R}) because g is the composition of differentiable functions on their domains (\mathbb{R}): f (differentiable by hypothesis) and $\ln(x^2 + 1)$ that is also differentiable because it is the composition of differentiable functions (\ln and polynomial functions).

$g'(x) = \frac{f'(\ln(x^2+1)) 2x}{x^2+1}$

5.29 $h'(x) = g'(\sin^4(x)) \times 4 \sin^3(x) \times \cos(x)$

5.30 Yes. f verifies all the hypotheses of the Rolle's theorem on the interval $[1,2]$.

5.31 Consider the function $f(x) = x^3 - 3x^2 + 3x + b$ and suppose that f has 2 zeros in $[-1,1]$. Applying the Rolle's theorem, we conclude that f' has another zero besides $x = 1$, which it is not possible. Therefore, f cannot have 2 zeros in $[-1,1]$ and that means that the given equation cannot have more than one solution in $[-1,1]$.

5.32 a) Yes. $c = \sqrt{6}$. b) No.

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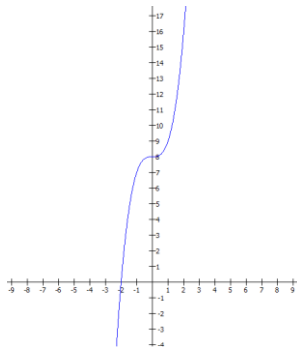
5.34 a) $f(x) = x^2 + R_3(x)$ where $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{R_3(x)}{|x|^3} = 0$

b) $f(x) = \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{8}(x-1) + R_2(x)$ where $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{R_2(x)}{|x-1|^2} = 0$

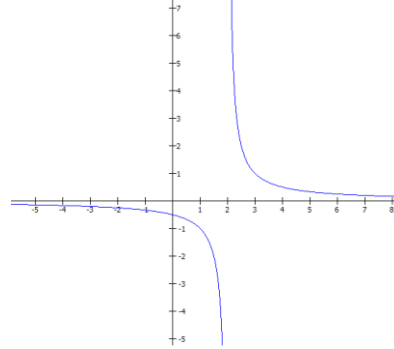
c) $f(x) = 1 + x^2 + R_3(x)$ where $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{R_3(x)}{|x|^3} = 0$

d) $f(x) = -\pi(x-\pi) - (x-\pi)^2 + R_2(x)$ where $\lim_{x \rightarrow \pi} \frac{R_2(x)}{|x-\pi|^2} = 0$

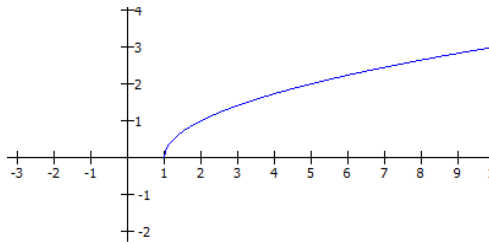
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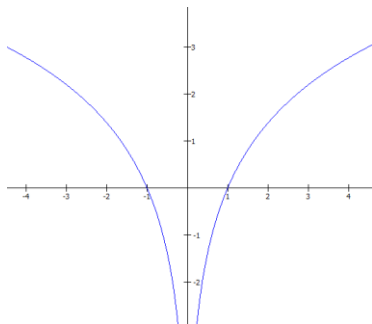
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